

GYPSY SMITH THE NOTED EVANGELIST

TELLS WHY KAISER'S GOD IS
HIS DEVIL AND WHY HE
WOULD LIKE TO KILL
HIM.

(By International News Service.)

New York, April 24.—"I've been loving people all my life, but I could shoot the Kaiser and feel that I was doing a favor to God. The Kaiser's God is my devil."

Gypsy Smith, one-time vagabond, for forty years the world's greatest evangelist, and for the past three of these men-of-all work for the Young Men's Christian Association just behind the British firing lines in France, made this declaration of hate to-day with a fervor that shook the dingy red fragment attached to the breast of his "Y" uniform.

That little red flag, already dimmed by the grimes of the trenches, where Gypsy Smith has stood side by side with the men who fought, making his "machine-gun speeches" up there where the big guns were rival orators, didn't look like much to Gypsy Smith it wasn't much. He wouldn't even talk about it.

In fact, the little red flag was nothing more than a decoration by the King of England. It wasn't just for hating the Kaiser, of course, that Gypsy Smith was honored at Buckingham Palace. Lots of folks would be wearing Victoria Crosses if they came that way. Gypsy Smith got his decoration (he has a medal besides the red fragment) for shooting the Kaiser by proxy.

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who are fighting the Kaiser. He has been doing it "up where the big noise is," with no thought of danger. He went through four gas attacks. Times without number he went into the trenches with the men, and for three years he was never outside the danger zone.

"It's the biggest bit of work God ever gave me to do," said Gypsy Smith yesterday. "They've got my heart, those boys of ours and those boys of yours, who are fighting without thought of being heroes. I'd rather untie their shoelaces than preach the greatest sermon in the world. I just wanted to serve them and I didn't care whether I did it washing cups or scrubbing floors or handing out chocolate or preaching."

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there?" he said. "They all were. Every boy who goes into a trench, every man who goes over the enemy lines in an aeroplane, every lad in the navy, should have a Victoria Cross."

The swarthy face of the man who had been born in a gypsy tent and who had spent the first sixteen years of his life as a vagabond was grave as he talked of the latest word of the German advances.

"It means that this is the crisis of the war, and that every energy must be bent toward stopping the Germans," he said. "The Kaiser is a beast. His people for forty years have been fed on the belief that they must first crush the British Empire, and then 'England's' spawn, the Americans. The war must be fought to a finish. We've got to put the Germans where they are in no position to do the world further harm. The German Kaiser has perpetrated deeds that would make an honest savage bow his head with shame. Germany has shamed the soul of the whole world."

Gypsy Smith will be in America only a few weeks. During these weeks under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., he will talk to the boys in the training camps and to other audiences of his experiences just behind the firing line. Then he is going back to his work in the trenches.

"Going back?" he said. "Of course, in a hospital in England I talked with a mere boy who had been wounded four times. He was all shot to pieces. When I was leaving after a long talk with him, I said 'Well, sonny, where will we meet again?' His eyes flashed. 'In France, sir!' he said. 'Surely you don't want to go back to France?' I asked him. Ah, don't I? he said. 'Where else is there for a man these days?'"

No new religion will come out of the war, Gypsy Smith thinks, but a great renewal of the old faith. Every man is a believer in God over there, where the heroism of the

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MOVIE STAR ARRIVES IN ST. LOUIS YESTERDAY TO SELL LIBERTY BONDS.

(By International News Service.)

St. Louis, Mo., April 23.—Miss Marguerite Clark, one of the most popular moving picture stars in the country, who with Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks has been assigned to speak in the St. Louis Federal Reserve District in connection with the launching of the Third Liberty Loan drive, arrived in this city to-day to speak to St. Louisans and otherwise aid the local Liberty Loan officials in making the campaign a success.

A complete schedule for the speakers has been mapped out and it is expected that they will help materially in the sales of bonds. The speakers will travel in groups of three and will include a soldier or other person who has been at the battlefield, a Treasury Department representative and an organization man. The tours will be preliminary to the actual campaign.

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WOMEN OBJECT TO BEING CALLED "WEAKER SEX"; MAKE GOOD AS GUARDS.

(By International News Service.)

New Britain, Conn., April 23.—When a woman was appointed as a railroad crossing gate tender and a local reporter referred to the supplanting of a "mere man" by the "weaker sex," the item drew fire, both from the male gate tenders on duty and a score of women who objected to the reference to their sex as the weaker of the two. Nevertheless, it is reported that the New Haven road is entirely satisfied with the first woman gate tender and will supplant other men if the war makes it necessary.

ELECTRICITY REPLACES OLD HAND DRILL PLAN.

(By International News Service.)

Lyons, Kas., April 23.—Electricity will replace the old handdrills and the miner's lamps in the Bevis salt mine, near this city, after the mine has operated for forty years in the old-style way. The mine has been wired for electric lights, and the drills will be replaced by electric drills. The output is expected to be almost doubled by the new methods.

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